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Darlington Woman Pleads Guilty to Food Stamp Fraud

(**COLUMBIA**, **S.C.**) South Carolina Attorney General Alan Wilson announced that Sherlwin Antwainette Carter pleaded guilty today before Judge Roger Henderson to Fraudulent Acquisition or Use of Food Stamps in an amount greater than \$2,000, but less than \$10,000.

Carter exchanged \$5,335.36 in Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits for cash by conducting 83 separate Electronic Benefit Transfer (EBT) transactions at the Dollar Saver Grocery aka "Get 'N Go" in Hartsville, S.C. between January 2012 and August 2014.

Carter was sentenced to three years, provided that upon service of 90 days, the balance of her sentence be suspended with probation for two years with restitution in the amount of \$5,335.36 ordered to the Darlington County Department of Social Services.

Assistant Attorney General Sam Jones prosecuted the case.

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